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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 March 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 9,10,16,17 and 23 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 9,10 and 16 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 17 and 23 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's amendment after final data 3/29/2004 has been entered. Upon further consideration, the finality of the rejection of the last Office is withdrawn.

2. The indicated allowability of claims 17 and 23 is withdrawn upon further reconsideration.

A new rejections is provided as follow.

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

5. Claims 17 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kamakura et al. (US Patent No. 6,172,657) in view of Yoshigahara (US Patent No. 6,570,566).

As to claims 17 and 23, Kamakura discloses a computer system comprising: a wearable computer main body (105b, Fig. 13); and a wearable display device (103, Fig. 13) provided independently of the wearable computer main body, wherein the wearable display device

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includes: a communication interface (110b) used to communicate with the wearable computer main body by radio; a memory (504 RAM, Fig. 14); a display monitor (103); and a display controller (505, Fig. 14) controls the display monitor and draws in the RAM display data to be displayed on the display monitor based on drawing command information from the wearable computer main computer (105b). Furthermore, Kamakura discloses that the communication interface (Fig. 15(a), 15(b) works as a bus bridge for interconnection between a bus in the wearable computer main body and a bus in the display device (e.g. the signals Y+H, (B-Y) and (R-Y)+V) are transmitted from the main computer to the display device.

It is noted that Kamakura does not specifically disclose that the memory (RAM) is a VRAM. Yoshigahara is cited to each a head-mounted display similar to Kamakura. Yoshigahara further discloses using a VRAM as memory for the wearable computer. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to have used VRAM as taught by Yoshigahara for the memory (RAM) of Kamakura because the VRAM can store more dynamic data such as video data.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims 9, 10 and 16 are allowed.

Conclusion

7. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The US Patents 5,644,324 and 6,359,601 are cited to teach a head-mounted display device.
8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Xiao Wu whose telephone number is (703) 305-4721.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Richard Hjerpe**, can be reached on (703) 305-4709.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Technology Center 2600 Customer Service Office whose telephone number is (703) 306-0377

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